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KENT COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT



Date: July 22, 2013
Complaint Number: 13-132145
Type of Incident: PI accident
Reporting Officer: Deputy Mike Tenbrink
Supervisor Approval: Sgt Muir

On Sunday, July 21, 2013 at approximately 2:05 am, the Kent County Sheriff's Department, East Grand Rapids Police Department and Rockford Ambulance responded to the intersection of East Beltline Ave and Cascade Rd on a report on a report of a two car injury accident.

Upon deputies arriving on scene, they determined a vehicle travelling eastbound on Cascade Rd had failed to stop for the blinking red light for eastbound traffic, striking a vehicle travelling northbound on East Beltline Ave, which had the right of way.

The drivers of both vehicles suffered injuries and were transported to Spectrum Hospital's Butterworth campus for treatment. The driver of the at fault vehicle only suffered minor injuries to his arms and the driver of the non at fault vehicle suffered serious, non life threatening internal injuries and fractured ribs.

The driver of the at fault vehicle was treated and released from the hospital and lodged at the Kent County Correctional Facility on charges of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated, causing serious injury.

The sheriff's department's investigation will be forwarded to the Kent County Prosecutors office for review and formal charges.